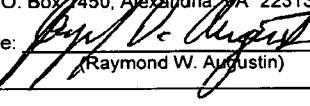


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In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1, 4, 9, 13, 14, 16, 25 and 26, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: